



## Supporting Young Carers, Young Adult Carers & Siblings





#### **Our Mission**

Improve carers' lives and prevent, reduce and delay the harmful impact of caring





#### **Our Support**

- Information and advice for carers Carers Assessments
- Emergency support for carers of adults What If? Plan
- Award winning Family Carers Prescription
- Flexible breaks for family carers of all ages
- Services for young carers and young adult carers, including transition planning
- 1:1 services in the community, at home & in groups for children & young people with disabilities
- Carers Centre in Peterborough
- Norfolk Care and Young Carer Forum





# Why do we need to support Building Caring Communities for Children & Young People that care?





#### **Young Carers 5-18**

- There are about 700,000 young carers in the UK (BBC 2010)
- The average of a Young Carer is 12
- 1 in 3 Young Carers spend between
   11-20 hours each week caring













### What can you help build for Young Carers?

- The time to be a young person
- To have the same opportunities as their peers
- To have the ability to access good support and information for them & their families
- To know they have rights











#### **Young Adult Carers 14-25**

- There are over 375,000 Young Adult Carers in the UK
- A quarter of Young Adult Carer are bullied at school because of their caring role
- 44% of Young Adult Carers reported a mental health issue – twice national average











## What can you help build for Young Adult carers?

- Support for school/colleges to develop strategies to identify and prevent bullying
- Support in schools/colleges to ensure they don't fall behind or give up
- Awareness as health & social care professionals to fully understand the impact of caring physically & emotionally













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